

The Brighton Connection

September - October 2015

BE BRIGHTON - WHAT WILL BRIGHTON BE?



The City of Brighton is seeking input on its comprehensive and transportation master plans at the "Be Brighton" Kick-off event. The event will be 4-8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 27 at the Armory Performing Arts Center, 300 Strong Street. The event will provide citizens with the opportunity to voice what they believe Brighton should be through fun and engaging activities. All ages welcome.

Visit www.bebrighton.com or www.brightonco.gov/943/2015-Transportation-Master-Plan-Project for additional information about the plans and event details.

Volunteers needed for Good, Clean Fun community clean up event

The City of Brighton is pleased to announce its second community clean-up day – Good Clean Fun. The Good Clean Fun event will be held from 9 – 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 19. Good Clean Fun is expected to bring out hundreds of community volunteers who will clean up trash in Brighton and beautify the community.



"This is a great opportunity for community members to come together and help make Brighton shine," said Murphy Robinson, event coordinator. "There is so much pride that exists in our community and this is just another way for residents to show how much they love Brighton."

Volunteers of all ages are needed to help in this community effort. Individuals or teams interested in participating may sign up at www.brightonco.gov/goodcleanfun. Clean up areas will target the downtown Brighton corridor. Participants will meet and end at Carmichael Park, located directly behind City Hall. A post-event pizza party will be held for volunteers. In addition, all volunteers that sign up by Sept. 10 will receive an event T-shirt.

For more information, contact 303-655-2045

Full Moon Family Bike Rides

For the second year, Bike Brighton is sponsoring Full Moon Family Bike Rides on the evening of every full moon through the month of October. The rides are family-oriented, approximately five miles in length, reasonably flat and start and end at Benedict Park-Emi Chikuma Plaza, 1735 Skeel Street. The rides start at 6:30 p.m. Gather up your family and friends and join Bike Brighton for a pleasant evening ride around Brighton. The remaining rides this year include: Aug. 29, Sept. 28 and Oct. 27.

For more information, visit www.brightonco.gov/bikebrighton.

Market Day returns Aug. 22

The City of Brighton will celebrate its agricultural heritage 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22 at Brighton Market Day. The annual event will be at Main Street in Downtown Brighton and will include produce from local growers, an education symposium, interactive activities, live entertainment and music, great food, and local artists. Local nonprofit groups and smaller Brighton businesses will also be present with information and other goods.



The fourth annual farmer's market and family bike tour will take place, beginning at 9 a.m. at Treads Bicycle Outfitter, 269 E. Bridge St. This enlightening 8.5-mile flat ride will take cyclists by local farms. To register for the tour, visit Treads at 8 a.m. For more information, call 720-263-3660. There will be no cost to participate.

That evening, the heART of Brighton will host a Roast and Toast at the Armory Performing Arts Center for local grower Dave Petrocco of Petrocco Farms. Doors open at 5 p.m., followed by dinner and entertainment and then a roast and toast of Dave Petrocco. Tickets are available by visiting www.brightonarmory.org.

Market Day was organized by Brighton founder Daniel F. Carmichael and was first held in the later part of the 19th century as a piece of the Adams County Fair. The original Adams County Fair Grounds took place at 4th Avenue and Southern Street where it was transformed into a marketplace and the community could purchase goods, produce and livestock.

The 2015 Market Day is sponsored by the City of Brighton, Downtown Partnership Committee, the Armory Performing Arts Center, Brighton Urban Renewal Authority and Treads Bicycle Outfitters. For more information, contact 303-655-2217 or visit www.brightonco.gov/marketday.



Get Rid of That Old Fridge and Earn \$75



After heating and air conditioning, a refrigerator is one of the largest energy users in your home. With most appliances and electronics, you can save energy by using them less, but that's not as easy to do with a refrigerator. The best ways to save money on the cost of refrigeration are to own the most energy efficient model, keep refrigerators stored in insulated spaces, and to recycle those old energy-wasting models.

Improvements in insulation and compressors mean today's Energy Star rated units are much more efficient than those older models. The Energy Star model you can buy today uses about half the energy of models made from 1990-2000. What about that old 1986 era fridge storing your soda? It uses 75 percent more energy than a modern energy-efficient unit. Speaking of that old fridge keeping your soda cold...If you're keeping that older, less efficient unit in a garage or basement, you're spending more money to operate that unit each year than it's worth. Recycling that old unit can save you upwards of \$1,400 in energy costs over the life of the fridge.

Let United Power help you start saving money today through a special partnership with the Brighton Sustainable program. Through the month of September, in honor of the Brighton Sustainable campaign's focus on recycling, United Power will pay for curbside pick-up and recycling of full size refrigerators and freezers for Brighton residents. Every full size unit that is recycled also qualifies for a \$75 rebate from United Power. Watch for information in the mail and in your next United Power bill to learn how to take advantage of this special opportunity to save money.

The Cemetery Walk is back!

Halloween with a historical twist

The Elmwood Cemetery staff invites Brighton residents to celebrate Halloween early with a historic cemetery walk at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17.

The walk will give residents a peek into the lives of Brighton's various city leaders, farmers, pioneers and soldiers buried in the cemetery – all of whom have a story to be shared.



Learn the history of Brighton as you walk through the cemetery and listen to guides dressed in period attire talk about their ancestors and their connection to Brighton. Elmwood Cemetery Manager Aaron Corr believes the walk will bring the history of Brighton's past residents to life, in a fun and creative way. This event will be a semi-self led walking tour. Maps will be available to attendees to see who guides are talking about and where they are located in the cemetery.

This is a free event presented by Elmwood Cemetery and the City of Brighton. For more information, contact Elmwood Cemetery Manager Aaron Corr at 303-655-2060 or acorr@brightonco.gov.

City of Brighton installs EV charging station

Furthering the City of Brighton's sustainability efforts and pledge to support energy alternatives, city staff has announced the recent installation of a level two commercial charging station at the west side of Brighton City Hall, 500 S. 4th Ave. The dual port station makes it possible to charge up two vehicles at a time, using standard connectors capable of charging any electric vehicle (EV).

Brighton's EV station is available for use by drivers for their personal electric vehicles, free of charge for up to four hours. After the four hours, drivers may continue to charge their car at a rate of \$5 per hour, based on availability. A ChargePoint network membership is required.

To sign up for a ChargePoint membership, drivers should visit <https://na.chargepoint.com/register>. To start a charging session, drivers wave their ChargePoint card in front of the station, use the ChargePoint mobile app or call the 1-877 number printed on the ChargePoint station. The City of Brighton chose the ChargePoint network because it is widely used by EV drivers, with more than 20,000 available charging station locations.

This improvement cost \$13,187 with funding from the City's capital improvement fund and grant funding from Regional Air Quality Council.

An electric vehicle charging station how-to video is available at <http://chargepoint.com/how-to-charge/>.

For more information, contact Murphy Robinson at 303-655-2045.

ecofair Recycle, shred and learn

The City of Brighton will host Ecofair 2015 from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19 at Carmichael Park, located at 650 Southern Street. The event is a great opportunity to recycle computers, keyboards, laptops, cd's, mice, printers, and rechargeable batteries (cellular, laptop and phone).

Also, DVD and VCR players, cable boxes, all-in-one fax machines, athletic shoes (no cleats), printer cartridges, eye glasses, cell phones, Christmas lights, plastic grocery bags and car tires can be recycled. **NO CRT MONITORS OR TVs PLEASE.**

Free paper shredding will also be available. Each person is allowed to bring up to three copy boxes or one large trash bag of paper to shred. With 30 informational and vendor booths, and enjoy family activities such as face painting, alpaca petting zoo and bounce house. Attendees will also learn about the state of the environment, energy conservation and alternative energy.

For more information, contact David Gallegos at 303-655-2176 or visit www.brightonco.gov/ecofair

Brighton Trash Bash Sept. 18 and 19

The City of Brighton will once again offer its popular Trash Bash drop-off program for Brighton residents for large item disposal. Residents wishing to dispose of large items may do so from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sept. 18 and 19. All items must be brought to the Brighton Wastewater Treatment Facility, 325 North Kuner Road. Small loose items must be containerized and total weight must be relative to the type of container.



Acceptable items include:

- Furniture
- Cabinets
- Appliances (no refrigerators or freezers)
- Bicycles
- Carpet (must be cut up)
- Doors
- Lawn/yard equipment
- Branches (cut less than 5 ft. and bundled securely)
- Nail-free lumber less than 8 ft. length

This service is for residents who live within the city limits of Brighton only. Brighton addresses do not necessarily mean that you are Brighton resident. A City of Brighton suitable proof of residence (utility bill or phone bill) is required as well as identification, such as a driver license. No commercial or industrial facilities will be allowed. A suggested donation of \$10 will be accepted to help defray from the cost of the service. Tires will be accepted for a fee of \$5 each. No oversized tires are allowed.

In addition, the city will provide pick-up service between Sept. 16 and 17 for the elderly or those with special needs. To request pick up, please call 303-655-2034.

Items not allowed include: household trash, commercial waste, concrete/home improvement project debris, grass clippings, televisions, computers, air conditioners, freezers, microwaves, refrigerators, office electrical equipment, car bodies, smoke detectors, all liquids, paint, motor oil, pesticides or chemicals as well as any material that is toxic, corrosive or explosive and no sealed containers with unknown contents.

For more information, please call 303-655-2087 or visit www.brightonco.gov/TrashBash

BRIGHTON AND COMMERCE CITY VICTIM SERVICES NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The Brighton and Commerce City Victim Services Unit is currently accepting applications for volunteer victim advocates for Brighton and Commerce City. Volunteer victim advocates provide on-scene contact with victims and witnesses of violent crime, sudden death, and other emergency situations.

Each volunteer is required to volunteer a minimum of four 12-hour shifts per month, including evenings, weekends, and occasional holiday. Volunteers are required to respond within 30 minutes of dispatch.

To learn about the volunteer requirements and download application, visit www.brightonco.gov/348/Become-a-Volunteer or call 303-655-2308

Eagle View Adult Center News

The Eagle View Adult Center is dedicated to the overall social, educational, outreach and wellness needs of seniors and active adults.

3RD ANNUAL CAR SHOW

8:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, Sept. 12

1150 Prairie Center Parkway

303-655-2075

Everyone loves old cars, fancy cars, fast cars and Brighton has lots of cars. They will be proudly displayed at Eagle View Adult Center. Brighton Jazz will perform for those in attendance. This is a free event.

If you would like to show your car, please call 303-655-2076 for details.

AFTER MIDNIGHT AT THE ARMORY

If you love swing music, this is the concert for you. The City of Brighton and the Eagle View Adult Center have teamed up to offer this free concert. The concert will be 4-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20 at the Armory Performing Arts Center.

MEDICARE SERIES: Everything you need to know

A FREE series sponsored by Centura Health Links

Medicare 101 for Seniors

This is an overview of Medicare. What it is, how it works, and what it covers, especially under Part A and B. You need to sign up for Medicare BEFORE you turn age 65 - so if you have a 65th birthday coming up this class will be very informative!

10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Sept. 8. Deadline to register: Friday, Sept. 4.

7 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 1. Deadline to register: Tuesday, Sept. 29.

Supplemental Medicare Plans

Learn about Medicare supplemental insurance that may be needed to cover gaps in Medicare Part A and Part B coverage.

10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Sept. 22. Deadline to register: Friday, Sept. 18

Medicare Part D

Prescription drug plans and pricing change every year. This is an overview of the new changes for 2016 Medicare Part D coverage.

10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Oct. 6. Deadline to register: Friday, Oct. 2.

Medicare Advantage Plans

How does Medicare work when you sign up for HMO plans like Secure Horizons, Rocky Mountain, or Kaiser? Learn advantages and disadvantages.

10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Oct. 20. Deadline to register: Friday, Oct. 16.

Medicare Saving Plans & the Low Income Subsidy

There is a benefit available to low income individuals to help pay for Part B and prescription coverage.

Come see what benefits you may qualify for under Medicare.

10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 3. Deadline to register: Friday, Oct. 30.

All classes will be held at the Eagle View Adult Center. Call 303-655-2075 to register for any of these classes.

RECREATION CENTER NEWS



TAKE YOUR DOG SWIMMING FOR A GOOD CAUSE

The **2nd Annual Doggie Paddle Day** at the Brighton Oasis will be Saturday Sept. 12. Bring your canine friend to the Oasis for a fun day of dog-only swimming before the Oasis drains the pools for the season. Cost is \$5 and all proceeds will go to the Animal Shelter of Brighton. All dogs must be vaccinated and socialized.

YOUTH FLAG FOOTBALL

Deadline to register: Aug. 21
Cost: \$45 (includes game shirt)

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Deadline to register: Sept. 25
Cost: \$35 (includes game shirt)

CO-ED ADULT FLAG FOOTBALL – (7 ON 7)

Deadline to register: Sept. 4
Cost \$150/team

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL – (6 ON 6)

Deadline to register: Sept. 18
Location: Brighton Recreation Center Gym

CO-ED ADULT KICKBALL – (10 ON 10)

Deadline to register: Sept. 4
Cost \$150/team

YOUTH FLAG FOOTBALL

Deadline to register: Aug. 21
Cost: \$45 (includes game shirt)

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Call 303-655-2200 to learn more or visit the Brighton Recreation Center to register for any of these sports at 555 N 11th Ave, Brighton, CO 80601.



FITNESS

Get Results!

This program combines the motivation of group fitness with the results of personal training. This is designed for every fitness level: beginner, intermediate and advanced. This is a circuit format that will help you incorporate strength training and cardiovascular training into an efficient full body workout. Cost: \$125

Shutdown! Outdoor Bootcamp

Take your workout outside during our annual shutdown Sept. 8 - 21. This class is lead by one of our personal trainers and will consist of bodyweight exercises and various fitness tools to keep the body challenged. You are welcome to join in on any of the class times. Class meets outside at the BRC soccer fields. Cost: \$18

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Silver Boomers Weight Lifting

Healthy bones, strength and range of motion are essential to a happy and healthy lifestyle. This class is spent in the weight room learning how to correctly use the equipment for a safe and effective workout. A personal trainer will safely guide you through a workout each time your group meets. This senior class will be full of fun and knowledge. Come join the best of the best and become even better.

SilverSneakers® Members are FREE!

Cost \$24 (includes a 50% senior discount)
SilverSneakers: FREE (Registration Required)

City Calendar

september october *Dates are subject to change.*

1	City Council Meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall
8	City Council Study Session, 6 p.m., City Hall
10	Historic Preservation Commission meeting, 6 p.m., Hist. City Hall
12	Third Annual Eagle View Adult Center Car Show 8:30 a.m., Eagle View Adult Center
15	City Council Meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall
18 & 19	Trash Bash, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Brighton Wastewater Treatment Facility
19	Chemical Round-up and Electronic Waste 9 a.m., Thornton IMC Facility
19	Good Clean Fun, 9 a.m., City Hall
19	Ecofair, 11 a.m., 650 Southern Street
21	Liquor Licensing Authority, 6 p.m., City Hall
22	City Council Study Session, 6 p.m., City Hall
28	Full Moon Bike Ride, 6:30 p.m. Emi Chikuma Plaza at Benedict Park

2 & 3	Wish We Were Floyd, 8 p.m., Armory Performing Arts Center
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8	Historic Preservation Commission meeting, 6 p.m., Hist. City Hall
13	City Council Study Session, 6 p.m., City Hall
17	Cemetery Walk, 1 p.m., Elmwood Cemetery
20	City Council Meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall
22	Market Day, 10 a.m., Main Street, Downtown Brighton
27	City Council Study Session, 6 p.m., City Hall
27	Full Moon Bike Ride, 6:30 p.m., Emi Chikuma Plaza at Benedict Park



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